PATENT APPLICATION

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In re the Application of

James Rudolf MEYER et al.

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ASSAY DEVICE PROCESSING INSTRUMENT

LARGE ENTITY PETITION FOR 1<sup>st</sup> - 3<sup>rd</sup> EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) AND TRANSMITTAL OF FEE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.17

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

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Transmitted herewith is a response to the outstanding Official Action in the above-identified patent application. The shortened statutory period having expired <u>December 27, 2006</u>, an extension of time for a period of <u>2</u> months is hereby requested. A one-month extension of time having been previously paid on January 29, 2007, attached hereto is our Check No. <u>189953</u> in the amount of \$330 in payment for:

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